

## Elliott Defends GW Rape Trial Role

by Michael Drezin  
Associate Editor

In a letter to the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate, GW President Lloyd E. Elliott countered renewed charges that the University failed to adequately explain its role in the recent rape trial involving two GW students.

The letter, addressed to Prof. Edwin L. Stevens, seeks to rebut further allegations lodged by GW Law Prof. John F. Banzhaf III.

According to Banzhaf, Elliott's first statement concerning GW's role in the trial, "does not mention, much less deny, a number of major allegations."

In his letter Elliott said, "I intended my statement of Dec. 7 to be a complete statement of the University's role in this matter. However, since additional allegations are being made... I have

deemed it necessary to answer certain questions raised by members of the Law School Faculty."

The President sent the letter to the Faculty Senate because Banzhaf requested that it investigate GW's role in the trial. Stevens said yesterday that discussion on the proposed investigation will resume at the Faculty Senate's next meeting on Feb. 9.

Elliott categorically denied allegations that GW assisted defense counsel in the preparation of its case. His letter also quoted statements given to the Hatchet by defense attorney John Dwyer. Dwyer said, "The University refused to give me any of the relevant documents before the trial... all of the University officials I called did not discuss it (the case) one time prior to going to court."

Elliott also denied charges that an attorney indirectly related to the case acted as a go-between in assisting the defense.

The President responded to Banzhaf's claim that his first statement "... does not mention, much less deny, the allegation that the two University physicians who examined the co-eds were asked to change their reports in a way that would favor the defense."

While Elliott said he "should not speak on behalf of the two doctors involved," he did submit rebuttal statements they had written to Prof. Stevens.

Both doctors' statements said, "I have never been asked by anyone to change my report or my findings, and furthermore, state unequivocally that I did not do so."

Elliott answered charges that GW refused to make available to a witness for the prosecution, a

detailed report he filed with the University.

That report was written by former Center Night Manager Bill Knorr who interviewed a student after she had been sexually attacked in the Center's fifth floor women's restroom last February.

According to the letter, "The person or office of the University where Mr. Knorr allegedly sought this report is not specified so we have checked with members of the security force, certain logical management people of the University Center but none of them received such a request from Mr. Knorr."

In addition, Elliott filed statements with the Faculty Senate from three Campus Security officials and the Director and Assistant Director of the Center. All five statements deny any knowledge of Knorr's request to see the report.

Knorr, who left GW in October could not be reached for comment.

Lastly, the President reacted to criticism he received for waiting six days before answering the charges leveled against the University after the November trial.

"... Suffice it to say," his letter reads, "... any reasonable person would realize that it takes time to investigate charges of the nature made against the University."

## Emergency Service at GW Causes Large Hospital Deficit

by Brad Manson  
News Editor

The GW Hospital has accumulated a \$250,000 deficit in bad debt accounts due to inadequate reimbursement from the D.C. Government, a hospital spokesman said Tuesday.

Assistant Dean for Clinical Affairs Dr. Ronald P. Kaufman said the deficit was a result of treating and admitting patients through the hospital emergency room who were unable to pay for treatment.

GW was one of 12 D.C. hospitals that requested relief Monday from Congress and the District government for adequate reimbursement of costs incurred while treating patients who could not afford treatment.

Kaufman said there was no way to "solve this problem 100 per cent" because "as long as one patient who requires medical treatment comes into the emergency room who has no source of support," the hospital will incur some loss.

GW and D.C. General are the only hospitals in the city that provide 24-hour emergency room service. Kaufman said although it's costly, "I think it's an important contribution to the community. It is my feeling and my feeling as an administrator to keep it open as our community responsibility."

Kaufman did state, however, that Nixon's price freeze and insufficient reimbursement from D.C. Medical Charters were the major factors causing the deficit.

The assistant dean said 80 per cent of the hospital's patients were covered by some type of medical insurance which took care of their costs, ten per cent of the patients were unable to pay the charges and ten per cent were assessed service charges above cost to balance the losses of those unable to pay.

"Ten per cent of the patients that we see are either fiscally well off or have large amounts of medical insurance, so they can pay charges," Kaufman said.

Kaufman said the charges were calculated in terms of the losses the hospital would incur from patients unable to pay. But due to the price freeze the hospital is "not able to increase charges" and as the price of medical supplies and drugs go up, the deficit is increased.

"So now we are losing on the regular patients we used to make money on as long as the freeze is on," Kaufman said. As a result, the hospital is unable to absorb the emergency room losses as it did before the freeze was enacted.

The other major factor contributing to the loss, according to Kaufman, is that the D.C. Department of Human Resources allows only a \$6 reimbursement fee per visit for those patients who

can't afford the hospital expense.

"I would say the average cost is between \$30 and \$40 per visit at GW," Kaufman said. "The important thing is not the amount lost per patient, but one should be reimbursed by the organizations responsible to reimburse us on a cost basis," he added.

Kaufman estimated that "between 60 and 70 per cent" of GW's emergency room patients have bad debt accounts. Kaufman added that a significant percentage of these patients are covered by D.C. Medical Charters whose reimbursement rate is below cost. "I don't see where GW alone, if it wants to maintain its present policy, can eliminate its bad debt account," he said.

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The GW Hospital has lost \$250,000 due to insufficient reimbursements from the District government for the emergency room treatment of patients who are unable to finance their own health care. See story above.



## Campus Wrapup

# Cohen Resigns, Feminists Leave Center

Center Governing Board Vice-Chairman Andrew A. Cohen resigned Tuesday, citing increased frustration with the workings of the Board as his primary reason.

In a letter to the Center staff,

the Governing Board and the University community, Cohen said, "A great deal of our time in the last few months has been taken up by a controversy which has grown out of the petty bickering of some

self-seeking, ego crazed, so called 'campus politicians'."

"At the beginning of this year, I had vowed not to become involved in any petty personal conflicts on the Board. I had fervently hoped that there would be none. But such conflicts have arisen, however clumsily disguised, as issues of Center policy," he continued.

Cohen, a senior, said the Board's three month debate on an issue "as specious as the one dealing with the Program Board" helped increase student disinterest and disrespect for the Board.

### Women Leave Office

GW Women's Liberation has left its office in the Center and will not be active on campus for the rest of the semester, according to group spokeswoman, Eileen M. Barrett.

Barrett noted that most of the members were involved in outside activities and no one "had time to devote to the office, keeping it open seven hours a day." Despite the lack of new members and the withdrawal from campus, Barrett claimed the present situation "doesn't preclude the

movement starting out next September."

The files and other materials for the organization are currently being kept at the District Women's Center.

### 'Advocates' Debates Free

Two filmings of the Public Broadcast Service (PBS) show "The Advocates" will be held in Washington next week, with free tickets available.

The Monday, Feb. 5 show will be on whether "the President should be required to spend the money Congress appropriates," with Rep. Morris Udall (D-Ariz.) arguing for the affirmative and Sen. William Roth (R-Del.) presenting the negative side. "Witnesses" may include Sen. Edmund Muskie (D-Maine) and Casper Weinberger, HEW Secretary-designate.

"Shall we grant amnesty to those who evade military service" will be the debated subject at the Wednesday, Feb. 7 filming. Former Attorney General Ramsey Clark will speak for the proposition and Atlanta attorney James Hill against it.

The filmings will be held in the Departmental Auditorium at 14th St. and Constitution Ave. at 7 p.m. both evenings. For tickets call 737-3626.

### NOW Seeks Funds

The National Organization for Women (NOW) has announced there will be a nationwide drive Monday, Feb. 5, to collect money for support of the Equal Rights Amendment.

The D.C. Chapter of NOW has asked area residents to sell a pint of blood to Antibodies, Inc., 1712 I St., NW, Room 210, and donate the money to NOW.

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"Political power cannot be shared by the oppressed and the oppressor, or by the exploited and the exploiter," Toba Singer told a group of 40 people at the Center Tuesday night. Singer, a member of the National Committee of the Socialist Youth Alliance, spoke on the subject of whether there really is an authentic "peace" in Vietnam.

photo by David Goldstein

## Most Are 'Off the Hook' Due to Draft Termination

by Anders Gyllenhaal  
News Editor

The detailed plans for the end of the draft and re-classifications will be received by state Selective Service Headquarters late this week, according to Patrick J. McGarvey, assistant public information officer of the Selective Service System.

These plans "re-classify everybody with deferments into the category of I-H," said McGarvey in a recent interview. He explained that I-H means "there's absolutely no sweat at all."

"All appeals are going to be terminated," he said. "All physicals... are going to be cancelled and also fellows scheduled for follow-up physicals" will not have to report, said McGarvey.

Anyone with postponed inductions, conscientious objectors who have postponed reporting to civilian work, men in the extended priority group, and those who are liable for induction after graduation, are all "off the hook," said McGarvey.

Only those who were born in 1953 and have lottery numbers below 100 will remain eligible for the draft until the end of June, when the administration's drafting power expires, said McGarvey. He added that any draft call between now and June was very unlikely.

The only other group that remain eligible for the draft will be doctors and dentists, due to the difficulty in attracting them as volunteers, McGarvey said. After June, the only people that will be drafted are those who violate any of the Selective Service laws, he added.

McGarvey stated the Selective Service system will continue to operate. When a man is 18 he is required to register, when he is 19 he receives a lottery number, and when he turns 20 he will be liable for induction for a period of 12 months. McGarvey said that in future, those who are eligible will "just sort of stand around."

"Everybody's happy about it," he commented. "The only negative reaction is one of skepticism from the more conservative elements of Congress. They don't feel that the idea of a volunteer army is going to work."

McGarvey also thought the volunteer army was not going to work because "you're just not going to want to join the Armed Forces. It's no way of life." He thought it would fail for "the same reason it failed in '49."

There just weren't enough guys volunteering."

"The Air Force and the Navy are a little different than the Army and Marines," said McGarvey. "They [the Army and Marines] need grunts, guys to shoot rifles and machine guns. Not too many guys want to spend their lives doing that."

He added that attempts were being made to attract volunteers by raising pay and adding

benefit programs. He pointed out the military will now have to compete with the open job market monetarily, and socially.

McGarvey stated the problem of a volunteer army becoming separate from society, "elitist and mercenary," does exist. "The guys at the Pentagon will deny it and show you figures that support their ideas, but my personal opinion is that it does create a separate element from society."

## Bill Baird to Speak Here

Controversial birth control advocate Dr. Bill Baird will speak at the Center Ballroom Thursday night at 8 p.m. in a program jointly sponsored by Ecological Action and the Program Board.

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## JFSB Votes to End Mandatory Meal Plan

by Michele Deschenes  
Hatchet Staff Writer

A proposal to abolish the current regulation requiring freshmen and sophomores residing in University residence halls to participate in the contract meal plan was passed by a 3-2 vote of the Joint Food Services Board (JFSB) last Friday.

Operations Board Food Representative, Roger Schechter, who submitted the proposal, said in an interview Tuesday the administration probably "will reject the proposal." He added that "the University considers its obligation to Macke more important than its obligation to the students."

GW Vice-President and Treasurer Charles E. Diehl said yesterday he won't irrevocably reject the JFSB proposal without "looking over it further."

According to Diehl, a minimum of 1000 meal cards must be sold to meet a stipulation in the \$4 million dollar bank loan GW obtained to construct the Thurston cafeteria. Diehl said 1600 cards were sold this year, a third of which were bought voluntarily.

Roger Lerner, ex-Food Committee Chairman, shared Schechter's sentiments towards the administration's reaction to the proposal. He stated approval

of the proposal would constitute a "major shake-up in the way they (administration) do things."

In other action of the Board, a proposal that the contract between Specialized Management Services, Inc., a subsidiary of Macke, and GW be open to the inspection of any student participating in the contract meal plan failed by a 5-2 vote.

## PB By-Laws Finally Passed

The University Program Board's constitution, which officially severs all ties between the PB and the Center, was overwhelmingly approved by the Center Governing Board Tuesday night without debate.

PB Chairman Scott Sklar said he was "pleased to see that the action was finally taken, ending a four month political bout."

The conflict arose last October when it was discovered that the PB had changed its constitution without the approval of the Governing Board, which was required in the old PB constitution. The new PB by-laws allow all constitutional changes to be made without any Governing Board approval.



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## New Answers

Private schools everywhere are in financial trouble. Everyone knows that. And GW is no exception, another well known fact. The only unknown factor is how to get the schools out of trouble, and GW embarked on a new program this week to try and find some answers.

Two days ago, a new commission on the role of alumni held its first meeting. The commission, directed by the alumni office, hopes to learn more about how to conduct alumni to contribute to the old alma mater once they are out in the big, cold world.

The investigation is not a frivolous one. It has become a cliché of higher education to state that the alumni are the most important potential source of outside income for private institutions. But at GW, that potential has not been realized, and for some very good reasons.

Past alumni office inquiries have focused mainly on how to appeal to alumni. More recently, the alumni office has attempted to develop stronger ties between the alumni and the school by sponsoring events bringing graduates back to campus. But these efforts, to coin a phrase, are too little and too late.

Hopefully, the commission will follow the lead of a recent study prepared by a similar group at Brown University. The essence of that report is that the best way to encourage alumni contributors is to make the student's experience as fulfilling as possible while he or she is still in school.

The lesson is a valuable one, particularly for GW. There have been cases in the past where recent GW graduates have refused to help local recruitment operations because they could not in good conscience advise anyone to come to school here. Alumni who hold that opinion are certainly not about to shell out cash when the alumni solicitation comes in the mail.

For most of us, GW has basically been a series of financial transactions, beginning with the application fee, continuing through a series of steadily increasing tuition payments, and reaching a grand finale in the \$25 graduation fee, which has been likened by some seniors to a ransom fee.

We will have few fond memories of the academic life at an institution which places ads in the New York Times to advertise new programs, but fails to provide trained advisors to tell students about the programs once they have paid their tuition.

We will have few fond memories of our physical surroundings at an institution where the administration has gone out of its way to demolish the atmosphere of the community by erecting unimaginative blocks of concrete in place of historic townhouses.

We will have few fond memories of the social life of an institution where the Faculty Senate has demonstrated its reluctance to question the propriety of University actions in connection with two sexual assaults.

Hopefully, the commission will realize that undergraduates who feel cheated quickly turn into stingy alumni.



War casualty

## U.S. Must Dump Thieu

by Dick Polman

What if they ended a war, and nobody came? The Vietnam cease fire was "greeted" at GW Saturday night when church bells pealed melodiously to empty wet streets. Meanwhile, NBC correspondents were poised all over America to register the great moment, and, for lack of anything better, one newsman asked little boys in Disneyland the meaning of "war" and "peace."

The essence of those two words is only one of many things that the Vietnam war had twisted. Lyndon Johnson snuck us into the conflict so quietly that the moment when war started, and peace had ended was forever obscured. Now, Richard Nixon and the U.S. have signed a treaty which again blurs the line between war and peace. And Americans have a right to be skeptical once more.

The Paris pact mentions two "South Vietnamese parties" which have the responsibility of working out their own political settlement. The pact does not mention, however, that neither the Provisional Revolutionary Government (the Vietcong political force), nor the Thieu regime recognize the existence of the other.

As Frances Fitzgerald has pointed out, the PRG has heavy political power in the South Vietnam countryside, while the Thieu regime, though lacking any positive political direction, relies on a strong military presence, and, most importantly, economic aid from the United States.

America, then, is reaching another crossroad. Where we decided in 1950 to begin economic aid to the colonialist French in Vietnam, where we decided to send 16,000 "advisors" to aid Diem in 1961, where we decided to pour in the troops in 1965, and bomb the following year, all in the name of "freedom"... What will Nixon decide to do when the Saigon government refuses to make any political arrests, and the restriction of citizen movement from zone to zone.

One prominent Washington newsman has remarked that "What Nixon means by peace with 'honor,' others call victory." It is clear

that if the President intends to obtain a "generation of peace," he will have to dump the Thieu regime.

That government knows its only device for continued existence is to financially eat from Uncle Sam's hand. The North Vietnamese, and the PRG, however, possess one thing lacked by Thieu - a positive political and philosophical ideology, one which "intrinsicly" provides for the "historical inevitability" of their victory.

In 1950, at the height of the Cold War, George Kennan, who strident anti-communists love to cite as being the author of the 'containment' policy, wrote this about Vietnam, as interpreted by journalist David Halberstam: "He wrote that if the (Communists) won, it would look like a Communist takeover at first, but eventually the local forces would find their own level, and the indigenous people would run things in their own way. Nationalism would inevitably express itself in hundreds of ways. This was nature taking its own course, a step in the national evolution of the people."

It is therefore time for the American foreign policy apparatus to put aside the mistaken notion that the terms communist and nationalist are antithetical. It would seem that the Thieu government, which has little rapport with its own people, is the non-nationalist factor in the equation.

Unfortunately, it will continue to be impossible for the American people to detect any shifts in the nation's attitudes toward South Vietnam's government. "Four More Years" will tell its citizens little in foreign policy, claiming the need for "national security." Nevertheless, Americans might be paying more money in "reparations" if the Thieu regime refuses to give ground, with Nixon's blessing.

These are only a few questions which continue to blur the line between war and peace in Vietnam.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To say the least, I was amused by Burnham and Zuckerman's article, "New GW Puritans: PIRG and Banzhaf." The analogy between the Puritan state and "fascist" PIRG, accompanied by "Preacher Banzhaf" was an interesting commentary on the idealistic world of self-government.

The STATE was established for the protection of its citizens and agencies such as the F.D.A. and its civic subsidiaries (PIRG

and the Banzhaf group) help to protect the PEOPLE, not to deny their right of free choice. Of course, the right to choose a product belongs to the consumer, but often a person is unaware or too naive as to the implications of buying a certain product. Therefore, we should thank interest groups for diverting us from the sadistic road of manufacturers.

In regards to Burnham and Zuckerman's statement that consumer groups force a

compliance of their views on the people, the authors should add other Political Science courses to the already-mentioned one in their article. Surely these two disregarded the fact that in a State a minority or majority can pass legislation using the established system. I wish Burnham and Zuckerman luck in trying to form a civic group to reinstate flammable toys and cigarette ads on television.

Nick Mascio

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# Definition of Liberalism Re-Examined

by Karen O'Brien

"There are no liberal democrats," Richard B. Burnham solemnly declares in the January 18th *Hatchet*, supporting his contention first by defining liberal as incompletely as possible, then by asserting that taxation is somewhat akin to methods employed by the legendary Robin Hood, and finally by

calling present day democrats "socialists."

Mr. Burnham begins his impeccably lousy reasoning with a description of traditional, economic liberalism: "a liberal believes, in order to be free, a man must not be subject to either social or economic coercion by the State." Webster on liberalism reads: "a political philosophy based on belief in progress, the essential goodness

of man, and the autonomy of the individual; and standing for the protection of political and civil liberties."

Apparently more than protecting his property may interest a liberal; and, in fact, the modern emphasis is on political and social recognition (through economic reform, if necessary) that persons with little or no property require protection too.

Mr. Burnham then claims that taxation of an individual's "freely accumulated" private property (especially income) "to use on expenditures benefitting a special segment of society" is theft. George McGovern "and his ilk" are "socialists" because they want to use "the institutional power of the State to loot from another social group."

I have yet to hear any member of the Democratic party advocate the abolition of private property, or a State takeover of industry, two necessary elements of socialism.

It is Mr. Burnham's business if he wants to align himself against taxing those with money or property to assist a "special segment of society" that has difficulty procuring any, but this does not make him a liberal, nor

does it make a democrat a socialist. Many Republicans advocate at least some of the tax reforms McGovern and the ilk propose, and there are no humane people in America that would abolish such "economic intervention" as Social Security, unemployment compensation, or welfare for the disabled. While the present system has many inequities, these generally favor those with a large amount of private property - the more private property a person has, the more freedom he has.

Mr. Burnham may call the tendency to hold onto acquired property and the freedom it brings without sharing any of it "liberalism," but I know it by another word: greed.

Karen O'Brien is a junior at GW.

## Course Stirs 'Imagination'

by Joan Bednarz

Education is not a system, but the product of a lifetime. An educational system should reflect this philosophy if the members of that system are to profit from it.

Experimental courses initiated at GW this year offer an illustration of awareness of the expanding definition of education. "Political Science and the Imagination" is one such course. Taught by Dana Fischer and Sally Ann Baynard, the class is composed of 30 first-year students, housed on Thurston's first floor. Its content covers such problems as "The Government and the Corporation," "Elections and Accountability," "Rebellion and the State," and "The Political Awakening of New Groups." It is designed to utilize the "resources, problems, and potential of the Washington D.C. area," and the format consists of lectures, discussions, and interviews with various people from the D.C. area who have some direct relationship with the problems being studied.

Perhaps the greatest asset of the course can best be described by its introductory brochure. It reads, in part, "the placement of a solid academic program in a residential setting is designed to be a step in the direction of breaking down the artificial separation of the student's academic and living experience."

Granting that this course has achieved the goals and expectations of its designers, does it warrant continuation? The answer is an emphatic "yes" for three reasons. First the course offers an invaluable experience for the student participant; whether as a means of becoming thoroughly immersed in the resources of Washington, D.C. or by experiencing a learning situation not limited by mere textbooks.

Secondly, this type of program allows and necessitates that the teacher become more involved in the subject and depend on resources other than the text. The teacher can also profit and learn from such a situation, whether it is from the speakers and the discussions themselves, or by getting to know his or her students on a more personal level than any standard course allows.

The final reason I feel that the course should be continued deals with GW's role in a progressive educational system. Very few people will deny that all U.S. institutions for higher learning are experiencing financial difficulties, especially private colleges and universities. But, if more programs like the one described above were offered, prospective students might find more value in a yearly investment of \$3,000 to \$5,000 for their education. It is not

enough to offer the same type of courses that one received in high school. Rather, a student must feel that going to college will truly benefit him as a person, both for now and in the future.

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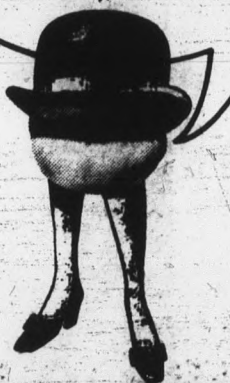

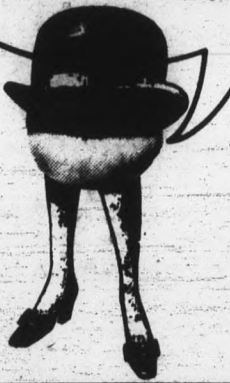
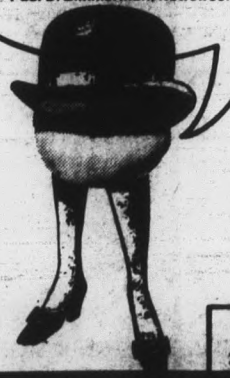

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## 'Tommy' Depicts Young Evangelist

by David Schulp

Tommy, the rock opera written by The Who, came to Lisner Auditorium Friday night with a company of about eight actors, a seven man band, and a light show.

The story concerns a boy whose father is thought to be lost at sea. When the father arrives home unexpectedly, he finds his wife with another man. In his anger he murders the man, and the only witness is his son, Tommy. Tommy's parents try to beat him into forgetting the incident and in doing so create a mental block which leaves him deaf, dumb, and blind. As he grows up, Tommy is subjected to a number of traumatic experiences such as an attempt to cure him using acid. His only signs of communication are playing pinball and staring into a mirror. When, in a last ditch effort to communicate with Tommy, his mother smashes the mirror he is cured.

Once cured, Tommy embarks on an evangelistic crusade passing on the light of his experience to a growing number of disciples. Eventually he begins to abuse his power and his disciples rebel. He becomes deaf, dumb and blind again but he now has the power to be a part of society.

The allegorical implications of the story are many and this production could have presented the story in such a way as to better bring them out, but as pure entertainment this production succeeded nicely. The excellence of the actors' voices, with Tommy and the Mother standing out, was the

main asset of this production.

A seven piece band augmented the stock guitar, bass, and drums with electric piano, trumpet, french horn and synthesizer. The musicians proved very competent, especially the pianist, who added interesting color to the sound. The synthesizer could have been used more sparingly in some places as it tended to blur the rest of the band. Particularly well done were "The Overture," "The Acid Queen," "Smash the Mirror" and "We're Not Gonna Take It." Tighter direction would have helped an overly long and boring dance number during "Sparks."

There was some rearranging of The Who's music that was successful, particularly the insertion of the them from the "Underture" as Tomy's father battles his mother's lover. Another number, "Sally Simpson," during which a light show took the place of the actors, didn't come off well. The fault for this lies with the light show, which, although adding an extra dimension to the opera, lacked the variation that could have made it really effective. More imagination should have been used along these lines.

One major disappointment with the production was the lack of any kind of program. In a show of this kind it is nice to know at least who the actors and musicians are.

All in all, however, the production's merits definitely outweighed its weaknesses and I would hope to see more multi-media shows like this in the future.

## Arts and Entertainment



## 'Serpent' Premieres Sat.

by Charles Venin

The *Serpent of Ai*, William Abbey's play about God's relationship to man, will make its world premiere Saturday night at 8 in the University Center Theater.

The play, produced by the GW Drama Department, takes its story from Biblical accounts of the Battle of Ai during Joshua's reign. Dean Munroe, drama faculty member and director of the play, said, "Although it is a religious play, it is not classically religious. Rather, it explores man's relationship with God as a two-way street."

In the beginning of the play, God is seen as an all-knowing power of fear. In the course of

the "tragi-comedy" God is given a new dimension of accepting and responding to man. God is thus transformed from a terrorist to a benevolent acceptor.

The most important catalyst in the transformation is the main character of the play, the woman Shuaw (played by Robin Press). It is she who, in the end, forces God to respond to woman's needs. As Munroe sees her, she is "the only character with any determination to stand up to God."

Munroe considers the play to be, in part, one of women's liberation. "One unique quality of the play," he said, "is the effect woman has on God."

Munroe chose the play for GW because of its experimental

qualities. The script holds many dramatic gimmicks and devices, and much spectacle. Also, it is a multi-media production. There is song, mime and backdrop projections taken from photographs of Apollo space missions to the moon.

The production is, apart from direction, totally student-managed. The sets are designed by junior Jim Gilchrist, with costumes executed by graduate student Lacy Hood. The entire technical crew for the production is student run.

The *Serpent of Ai* runs through February 11 with performances at 8:00 p.m. A matinee is scheduled for February 10 at 2:00 p.m. in the Center Theater.

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# sports

## Colonials Tie 2-2 In Hockey Debut



Captain Pete Goldberger fires on goal in GW's first hockey game.

Photo by Bob Bloom

When you walk into Pete Goldberger's room, you can understand why GW now has a hockey squad. A hockey cartoon is pasted on the door, a Gordie Howe poster glares down upon you, and the collection of books and magazines on his bureau is interspersed with copies of "Hockey Illustrated" and "Hockey News."

by Jay Krupin

Hockey may as well be Goldberger's middle name. So, when the sophomore met Murray Hershman, a hockey fanatic from Bristol, Conn., the two of them began to contact interested people and organize a club.

"I was really impressed with the spirit and desire to get a hockey team going here," remarked Goldberger.

Their baby was born last Thursday night when the GW Hockey Club took on North Virginia Community College and salvaged a 2-2 tie at the Wheaton Regional Ice Rink in Wheaton, Md.

Tonight, the Colonials battle

American University on the Wheaton ice at 10:30.

"We only had two practices before the first game," said Goldberger. "The team really has a lot of individual talent," he continued, "but hockey is a team sport and we need the time it takes to become a team. A little more work and time, and we are really going to look good."

The opening night roster listed players ranging from 17 to 26 with experience spanning from pond hockey to semi-pro. "Everyone was really psyched," said Goldberger.

Bob Tyson scored the first Buff goal on an unassisted rink-length rush at 14:33 of the first period. The GW defenseman took the puck from his own end to inside the attacking zone for the score.

Four minutes later, Larry Lamb put the puck in the net to extend the Colonial's lead to 2-0. The Buff had kept the NVCC goalie under constant pressure.

The second section was scoreless as play improved. The third period, however, was the Buff's nemesis.

NVCC scored two quick goals in the middle of the period to secure the tie. First, a screen shot which GW goalie Jim McGrady never saw, broke the shut out.

The tying goal came when a loose puck in front of the GW goal was picked up by a NVCC player and was rammed home to rob the Colonials the glory of winning their first encounter.

## Buff Down Navy 59-56

GW (13-5) held off a late surge by Navy to down the visiting Middies 59-56, last night.

Navy had the opportunity to tie the game with six seconds remaining but center Bob Burns missed a baseline jumper and Clyde Burwell was fouled on the rebound. He wrapped up the game by connecting on the first of two free throws.

The Colonials led throughout the game, by as much as 13 midway through the second half. The Buff dominated the early play as Navy used its standard deliberate, near stall, offense and was unable to penetrate the GW

3-2 zone. The game marked the lowest point production by any GW opponent this season.

Burwell and Pat Tallent led the Buff scoring with 15 points apiece.

Earlier, the GW JV (6-4) romped to an easy 103-56 victory over Howard. Dave Emanuel (26), Greg Miller (25), and Clyde Tackett (21) paced the Buff.

The Colonials will host Boston U. Saturday. Free student tickets will be available today and tomorrow at the Athletic Office, 2035 H St.

Round trip bus service will be available for the Feb. 14 battle

against Temple in Philadelphia. For information and reservations contact Aaron Pataff (evenings-337-3288).

## Grapplers Do It Again

The GW wrestlers again forfeited 18 points on their way to a 30-12 defeat at Morgan State Tuesday night. Steve Silverman, Mark Segel, and Larry Green were victorious for the Buff.

Those wishing to jump with the Parachuting Club should contact Mark Sullivan (659-4148). Equipment and training are provided.

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